FIGHTING THEM OVER.

What Our Veterans Have to Say About Their Old Campaigns.

IT DID SLING GORE.

Regiment.

Comrade "C. G.," of Co. B. 10th Ill., had something to say about "One Regiment that Slung No Gore." I think his statement will be misconstrued by many, and that as a regiment we will be regarded as almost worthless. I would be pleased to have enough of your valuable space to correct that unpression. The 10th was orgamized and ready for muster at Cairo, Ill., April 20, 1561, five days after Mr. Lincoln's call for 75,000 troops; but we were not mustered as a regiment until April 29, 1861. We remained in tairs and vicinity until about March 1, 1862, when we moved with Gen. Pope on to New Madrid and Island No. 10, and at the close of that campaign the rebeis, in trying to make their escape, were captured by the 10th and 16th Ill., no other regiment being within three or four miles when they surrendered their entire force of about 6,700. We were very highly complimented by Gen. Pope on that as well as other occasions. We were in the Corinth campaign, and on May 3, 1862, where Charlie says we had the "square, stand-up-and-shoot fight, we lost one killed and five wounded! capturing 15 and killing 30 rebels. See Adj't-General's Report, Vol. I, p 354.) Were in Nashville during the time Buell and Bragg were in Kentucky, and when Rosecrans came through we were assigned to Morgan's Division of Granger's Reserve Co-ps, and held Nashville during the battle of Stone River. Were kept in reserve until after the capture of Mission Ridge, Jan. 1, 1884. Re-enlisted as veterans. Were in the Atlanta campaign, and, if my memory serves me right, some places were quite hot. At Rocky Face, Ga., our company, with others, was on band, and had one killed and two wounded. Nearly every one had holes shot in his clothing. and one had 27 built holes through his hat and blouse, not one touching him. And I think the comrade found it hot enough Aug. 26, 1864, when he was wounded; and if he needs a statement to enable him to get a pension, I can make it from my diary. We were on the front line nearly all the time. Near the mouth of Peach Tree Creek, Ga., we had a "bout" with the Johnnies; lost one killed and they lost 11. Were on the march to the sea and up through the Carolmas. At River's Bridge, S. C., Feb. 3, we lost quite a number, but captured the place, being hotly contested; and we were in water from one to five feet deep from 7 a. m. until dark. Gen. Howard, who was present, said it was "the best thing of the war." On that march there was hardly a day that we were not fighting, and when Johnson attacked the Fourteenth Corns at Bentonville we made a forced night-march. in on the flank, and got far enough around to Jan. 21, repeats a story of Garfield at Chick- wandering about three days, I made out to get Reaching the right of the army, we were pushed capture part of Johnston's headquarters material. Sherman did not have support near us, and ordered us to retreat, and just as we were doing, this Hardee and Wade Hampton attacked us. Our brigade, with part of First Brigade, held their combined forces in check, and about dark quietly withdrew across the swamp, losing 54 men, and I am satisfied the rebels lost at least three times as many. The regiment was always fortunate, so much so that we were called the "Lucky Teuth." I cannot account for it, unless it was our superior drill and discipline, and that our officers were not looking for promotion through a long list of killed and wounded, and I am satisfied with the result. I will venture the assertion that we drove the rebels oftener, never turning our backs to them at any time, except, as stated, at Bentonville,

They Did Not Succeed.

Brown, Co. I, 10th Ill., Chester. Ill.

TO THE EDITOR: I wish to give you a brief account of the attempt to take Kentucky out of the Union during the Winter of '62-'63, and how it came to be a failure. The 103d Ohio, of which I was a member, was during that Winter quartered in and about Frankfort, two companies of us being placed to guard bridges on the Louisville & Lexington Railroad, A convention of rebel delegates had been called out of the Union. It was their desire to occupy the State House, but this was refused by the Legislature, then in session, and so the assem-It was the good fortune of your correspondent to be on board the morning train going into Frankfort from Louisville, having boarded it at Benson Station, nine miles from the Capital. The train was loaded down with rebel deletime appointed for the meeting, Col. Gilbert rear of the building, with bayonets fixed, and their eyes, while visions of Camp Chase, no doubt, flitted before their butternut understandings. Ex-Gov. Merriweather was appointed Chairman. Col. Gilbert also appeared upon the scene of action with his Adjutant, and as fast as the delegates arrived and their names were called they were taken down by the Adjutant. Col. Gilbert then arose and ordered them to disperse, saving that no such convention could be held within the limits of his command. He also told them that he knew they were rebels of the deepest dye, whose object was to deluge the soil of Kentucky with the blood of civil strife. It may well be surmised that their curses were not loud, but deep; neither did they stand upon the order of their going, but beat a hasty retreat. Your correspondent had the privilege of going a piece with them on the evening train as they were homeward bound, and had the opportunity of hearing the curses heaped upon the "Lincoln Hirelings." Truly did Gilbert's Brigade prove the hope and defense of loyalty at the Capital that Winter. These were comparatively quiet days for the 103d Ohio, but in the East Tennessee campaign and at Resaca it suffered tertisville, Fulton Co., O.

Blobile.

Sixteenth Corps was at Mobile, I wish to add my mite. Gen. A. J. Smith's command was only a part of the Sixteenth Corps, the First, Second and Third Divisions constituting the right wing, Sixteenth Corps, the left wing being with Sherman on the Atlanta campaign, under command of Gen. Dodge.

Comrade Fry is right in his statement that only a part of the Sixteenth Corps was present at Mobile, that part being the right wing, the whole of A. J. Smith's command, but not the entire corps. Comrade Fry is in error, however, when he states that Steele's and Granger's men did all the fighting, as the Sixteenth Corps played a lively hand at all of it, the First Division (under Gen. McArthur) and the Third Division (under Gen. Carr) capturing Spanish Fort, and the Second Division (under Gen. the capture of Fort Blakely .- P. C. SMITH, Major, 119th Ill., Hickman's Mills, Mo.

The Sultana Disaster. TO THE EDITOR: Having seen the letters of B. J. Norris and others in regard to the above disaster, I will say that at the time the Sultana blew up I was officer of the picket-guard on the Wolf River road, and was close enough to hear the shrieks and groans of the wounded and drowning soldiers and crew, but was powerless to aid them for want of boats. The U.S. picket boat Pocahontas picked up all who were alive next day. On board of the Pocahontas were a number of soldiers belonging to the 113th Ill., (the regiment to which I had forboat was blown up purposely to cause the de- own signatures. So, comrades, send along your cured by its use. I do not hesitate to recomstruction of the soldiers on board. One or more | grape-vines.-Charles E. Horam, Homer, Ill. of the employes of the boat were also of this opinion, and they so expressed themselves. I visited the hospitals in Memphis and saw most C. I., Putnam, Ill.

The Siege of Vicksburg.

To THE EDITOR: In that part of Gen. Grant's "Personal Memoirs" referring to the siege of Vicksburg, the General writes: At three points on the Jackson road, in front of Leggett's Brigade, a sap was run up to the enemy's parapet, and by the 25th of June we had it under-mined and the mine charged. The enemy had counter-mined, but did not succeed in reaching our prine. At this particular point the hill on which the rebel work stands rises abruptly. * * * On the 25th of June, all being ready, the mine was exploded. * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * As soon as the explosion took place the crater was recipied by two prints of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and make a crater where it stood. * * * * * * * The effect was to blow the top of the hill off and the hill of the hill off and the hill off and the hill off and the hill of counter-mined, but did not succeed in reaching our A Comrade Benies that the 10th Ill. was a Pacific seized by two regiments of our troops, who were near by, under cover, where they had been placed for the express purpose. The enemy made a desperate effort to expel them, but failed. To the Editor: In your issue of Jan. 7

In his article on the same subject published in the September number of the Century, the General states that the sap was run up to the enemy's parapet in front of Ransom's Brigade. He does not state that the brigades of Leggett and Ransom were the most conspicuous in the operations at this point of the rebel works, but the reader is necessarily led to that conclusion. Probably the "horrors of war" were more fully exemplified at this point than elsewhere on the rebel line, and it is proper that those who participated should guard the honor with a jealous eye. It is not the intention to criticise the gallantold commander. The writer considers Gen. Grant's fearless regard for justice conspicuous even among his brightest virtues. It is absurd to suppose that any one man could have been personally familiar with every

detail of the great campaign. The point where the explosion took place was known by the soldiers operating against it as Fort Hill. Stationed in its front was the First Brigade of the Third Division, Seventeenth Corps, under the command, respectively, of Gens. John E. Smith, Logan, and Mcl'herson. This brigade consisted of the 20th, 31st, 45th, 124th Ill, and 23d Ind. The 45th and 124th contained some miners from Galena, Kewanee and Colchester, Ill., and these miners comprised a portion of those who were engaged under Fort Hill. These two regiments also furnished a portion of the detachments that made the assaults in the crater of the fort after the explosion. I regret that I am unable to give the numbers of the other regiments engaged. To the First Brigade was accorded the distinguished honor of leading the way into Vicksburg on the anniversary of the Nation's birth, and no feature of the entire campaign contributed more to the selection of this brigade for that event than the explosion and repeated assaults in the crater on the 25th and 26th of June. I have not seen Gen. Smith for more than 20 years, and I am in no way authorized to speak for him, but I believe if he should be asked to name the proudest hour of his varied military career he would fix upon the 4th of July, 1863, when at the head of the column he entered the city at whose gates we had hammered 47 days and nights; and no misunderstanding of details should deprive him

Garfield at Chickamanga.

TO THE EDITOR: Comrade Fry, in his article on Gen. Garfield, published in your paper of have it I escaped without a scratch. After rency by Kirke in his Life of Garfield; a story which gives too much credit to Garfield and detracts correspondingly from Gen. Thomas. Garfield's fame is well established on a solid foundation of facts, and needs no fictitious support. During the afternoon of Sep. 20, 1863, I was on the famous Horse-Shoe Ridge directly in front of Gen. Thomas, who was on horseback in the depression to our rear, only a few yards away. I saw when Gen. Garfield came up, and | 28th Pa. I did not know at that time the letalso when Gen. Granger arrived with the Re- | ter of the battery we supported in the afternoon serves, and I confidently assert that Gen. of that day, but understood that it was of the Thomas had occupied the ridge long before 1st R. I. The battery we supported was of Gen. Garfield joined him, and that no change | brass pieces, either 24 or 32-pounders, and was was made in that position on account of any opposed. I afterwards heard, to the Washington information brought by Garfield to Thomas. When Granger arrived he was sent in to drive | memory serves me right, it was about 3 p. m. back the flanking column about to turn our | when the charge of Stark's (rebel) Brigade was N. C., and captured more prisoners, with less loss right, and his opportune arrival no doubt saved | made upon the battery we were supporting, of men, than any regiment from the State, and I the day; but so far as Garfield was concerned and the line was within a short distance of the will almost say the United States .- J. N. the battle would have been fought out just the | battery when we were ordered to fire. We same if Garfield had ridden to Chattanooga gave them a volley and then charged them, with Rosecrans instead of turning back and | sending them across the small valley between joining Thomas. His ride back was a most the two hills, thereby saving the battery from gallant action, but it is giving it immensely capture. If these facts agree with Comrade too much importance to claim that it saved | Aldrich's memory, then the regiment he in-Thomas and Chickamanga.-John K. Shel- quires about was the 28th Pa. I may still LENBERGER, 64th Ohio, Madison, Wis.

A Joke on Gen. Stoneman.

tle for the brigade at the foot of Kenesaw Moun- | Comrade Aldrich may be correct in stating that tain, in 1864, I traded a cow to Gen. Stoneman | the 111th Pa. was there, for the 111th was also to meet at Frankfort on the 18th of February, for a ham and some flour. I had stolen the cow in our corps, and may have been sent there as for the avowed purpose of taking Kentucky from a farmer and took it to Stoneman's head- supports; but I claim it was the 28th Pa. that quarters, and traded it to the General asstated. | met the charge of Stark's Brigade by a velley The next morning the irate farmer came howl- an countercharge that afternoon. - Lewis Bluning after his cow, and went all through camp | DIN, Co. C, 28th Pa., Hulmeville, Pa. bly was to take place in Merriweather's Hall. | till be found her staked out near the General's headquarters. He inquired of the General, who was standing near, who the owner of the cow was, and was told that it belonged to the | there is one, Comrade Wright Bunting, of Co. General; that he had bought her of a soldier. I, 38th Ill., who has aroused up to claim some The farmer said she was his, and proved this to | credit for the part the 38th Ill. took in the gates at least 150. They were full of mirth be the fact, and the General turned the cow over Knob Gap capture. From the positive testiand jollity, no doubt full of bright anticipato him. The next day, while standing in line mony of several comrades, I had about become tions of a rebel millennium. Just before the with my regiment, I saw with some dismay convinced that the 38th Iil. was not there, and and terror the General and his staff draw near. it was all a dream. Comrade Bunting is posted detachments of our brigade in front and | I tried to make myself as small as possible; but | right in regard to who did the fighting, but no use, the General recognized me. "Hello," who performed the perilous feat of first laying a strong guard at the entrance. Whenever a said he; "how did you relish your ham and hands on the gun, or placed the end of a flagdelegate desired to go up to the hall he was flour?" Trembling in my boots, I answered staff on it, this deponent sayeth not, for I politely informed that the way was open, but that it went bully, and politely inquired how did not stop to see it done, as we passed it some in order to come out again he must furnish he liked his milk. At this his staff set up a cheer, distance before we were ordered to halt. It vouchers for his levalty. Many backed out, having the fear of Uncle Sam before stood quaking with fear not knowing what stood quaking with fear, not knowing what or the 21st Ill., as they were all there, -and so penalty the Articles of War provided for a sol- was the 38th Ill., when I come to think of it, dier daring to crack a joke with a Major-Gen- | for a Corporal of Co. E was stung on the tongue eral. However, I was neither scolded, bullied | while partaking of some captured honey while nor court-martialed. The General laughed as in camp on the battleground that night. If heartily as any of them at the joke, leaving living, perhaps he could tell us all about it. me with a light heart and a feeling shared by all | Gen. Wm. P. Carlin could tell who did the our mess that we had a gentleman for a com- fighting if he would. It was no hand-to-hand mander as well as a soldier .- J. W. SMALLEY, engagement, as the rebs left as soon as we got Co. K, 16th Ill. Cav.

Inscription in an Old Cemetery Near Cheraw, S. C. TO THE EDITOR: While marching through the Carolinas with Sherman in 1864, we halted near Cheraw. Having nothing else to do, I went into an old cemetery, in one corner of which was a brick church. I remember some C. Davis, Co. E, 38th Ill., Welaka, Fla. one said that the church stood there during the | The Ammunition Train From Harrisburg to Cham-Revolutionary War. It looked ancient enough. Near the church was a nameless grave, bearing on a slab the following inscription: My name, my nation, what is that to thee?

What whether high or low my pedigree? Perhaps I far surpassed all other men, Perhaps I fell below them all. What then? Suffice it, stranger, thou see'st a tomb.

Thou know'st its use; it covers-no matter whom. ribly, in common with other regiments .- W. T. In another part of the cemetery, on a marble CHAPMAN, Lieutenaut, Co. H, 103d Ohio, Pet- shaft erected to the memory of one of the engine No. 131.-W., Newport, Pa. Lynchs, was penciled by one of our men an apostrophe to the heroes of the Revolution, many of whom were buried there. Of the many To THE EDITOR: As there seems to be some | I can remember but the following verses: dispute as to whether or not the whole of the | Shades of the patriots slumbering 'neath the sod, Know ye the woes of your unhappy State? Know ye the turf has drank your children's blood

And left your loved homes spoiled and desolate? How can ye sleep, how can your ashes rest in peac While war's dread clarion rolls above your head? Do not your bones with holy horror creep As falls the blood your perjured sons have shed?

Rise, slumbering patriots, view the ruin made And bid the traitorous crew in shame disperse; Bid them restore the Union they destroyed,

Or doubly damn them with a father's curse. I should like to know who was buried in that nameless grave, and who was the author of the lines last quoted, -T. SPRAGUE, Co. G.

66th Ill., Sheffield, Ill. Losses of the 19th Ind.

TO THE EDITOR: In reading Comrade Kennard Garrard playing a prominent part in | White's account of the losses of the Iron Brigade he places the loss of the 19th Ind. at 122 killed; which is an error. The Indiana Roll of | J. W. HITCHCOCK, Peabody, Kan. Honor taken from records in the Adjutant-General's Office at Indianapolis, compiled by Col. Stevenson, of Gov. Morton's staff, shows that the 19th had 161 killed in battle and 592 wounded-total, 753, besides 58 missing. Num-210-75 per cent. Of the 288 that went in at "round-up," and you will have done a capital Gettysburg but 78 returned unhurt.—Geo.W. | thing.—T. J. Woods, Toledo, O. HUFFORD, Lyndon, Kan.

Attention, 26th Ill. To THE EDITOR: Almost daily I receive incidents written by comrades of the 26th Ill., merly belonged,) and they said that the general and have concluded to devote a space in its impression among the survivors was that the history to their special use, entitled "Campfire gan to take 'Durang's Rheumatic Remedy,' boilers had been tampered with and that the | Chat," and will publish their articles over their |

Do You Need Money I A postal card addressed to Bernard & Co., of the survivors, and I must say it was the most | Beverly, Mass., will bring you full particulars heartrending sight I ever witnessed.-WM. of a lucrative business, which can be done at BRACKEN, Second Lieutenant, Co. D, 88th U.S. | home by either sex, young or old. A \$1.00

sample free.

THAT CHERRY TREE. Comrade's Unlucky Trip After the Toothsome

Fruit. TO THE EDITOR: In the year 1864, while on the march from Culpeper, Va., to Petersburg, I remember we stopped for a short rest near Cold Harbor. I noticed, not far from the road, less than five rebel cavalrymen dashed out from some thick underbrush or woods and demanded my unconditional surrender. The fore man dashed up to me with drawn saber and cocked revolver, and said: "Hell-born Yank, we got you, aint we? Have you any firearms about you? If so, unbuckle!" Well, they jumped off and went through me in less than five minutes; stripped me of everything I possessed, then told me to file in and doublequick march, and I did march. Well, we had not gone more than half a mile when we came to a very thick growth of underbrush, and there I noticed about 25 or 30 of our men lying on the ground, surrounded by Mosby's band of guerrillas, and they filed me in with the rest of the boys. I made up my mind I was in for some kind of an adventure. I did not know but they intended to practice on us for targets. However, I had naught to do but wait and bide my time. I was not long in suspense, for we soon had orders to get up and march, and as we had a squad of graybacks behind us and another in front, we had no other alternative; and as we were stripped and devoid of everything, as you might say, we were a sorry looking set of fellows. It was a very hot and sultry afternoon, and one of our boys was very badly chafed from over-marching, and he kept hauging back, as it seemed almost impossible for him to keep up. As the rebs were all mounted, you may expect they humped us along pretty lively, and one of them rode up to this fellow and drew his sword and said: "You damned Yanky, what are you hanging back here for? Get along, or I'll cut your d--- head off!' Our boy stopped and looked him in the eye for about a minute, and finally said: "Cut, you damned rebel; I'm from Green Mountain, Mass. Cut, you son of a smoky hollow, and I'll take that sword away from you and there will be one less rebel." The fellow wheeled around and rode up to Mosby and said a few words to him. He did not return to execute his threat. I guess he thought the Green Mountain boy was made of good stuff. I made up my mind that I would escape or die in the attempt, for I had no desire to go to Libby Prison or be led off and shot. So I took up a position on the outside and in the center of our squad. We had then been marching about two hours, all the time in thick woods and dense underbrush, and finally came to an old windfall. In getting their horses over the old logs and through the brush the rebs got pretty well strung out, and of the distinction.—C. E. BASSETT, Co. B, 124th I thought this was my opportunity. I made a lil., Austin, Ill. dash for dear life, and I doubt whether either horse they had could have caught me as I sprang to my work; but I did expect the bullets to whistle around me. As good luck would

The Regiment that Supported the 1st R. I. Art. at

Wis., Bird Island, Minn.

Antietam. TO THE EDITOR: In reply, to Comrade S. W. Aldrich's question in a recent issue of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE as to what regiment supported Battery A, 1st R. I. Art., at Antietam, Sep. 17th, 1862, I think he has reference to the Battery—the rebels' brag battery. If my further call upon his memory by stating that the 28th Pa. was armed with the short Enfield rifle, with saber bayonet, and the only regi-TO THE EDITOR: While we were helding cat- ment in the Twelfth Corps with saber bayonets.

Knob Gap Once More. To THE EDITOR: I am glad to learn that within short range. One comrade tries to make it appear ridiculous that the infantry chased the rebel cavalry, etc.; but the rebs were infantry, and they were in plain view as they retreated from the gap. What kind of cavalry would it be to abandon a gun for want of horses, and every man mounted ?-Thomas

bersburg. TO THE EDITOR: Inquiry has been made through your columns for the engineer who ran the ammunition train from Harrisburg to Chambersburg in July, 1863, during the battle of Gettysburg. A gentleman of our village claims that it was his brother-in-law, John H. Trout, of the Middle Division, P. R. R., and | there were but two men left to muster out.

Where Is the Owner?

badge. On the face it reads, "Presented by the destruction of more than one pier. The commanded by Gen. Hubbard, consisted of the the State of West Virginia;" on the reverse is damage was soon repaired and the Union army the State seal; on the pin are the words, "Hon- | crossed. H. WALDRON, New Haven, Conn.

Where is Gertrude Davis?

To THE EDITOR: James L. Davis belonged to a Massachusetts regiment; after the war went to La Fayette, Ind., where he married | the boat pulled in and saved. Jennie Smith. They returned to Worcester, Mass., where he worked at the shocmaker trade. Davis and wife both died at Worcester, leaving | made of the little division of Gen. R. H. Milroy, a young daughter to the care of a lawyer. The child's name is Gertrude Davis; if living, is now about 17 years old. Any information would be thankfully received by her uncle-

"The Reminiscences."

TO THE EDITOR: The "Reminiscences of an It is enough for me to say to you that I am

Gen. John A. Logan,

U. S. Schater from Illinois, writes: "Some years ago I was troubled more or less with rheumatism, and have, within the last year or so, suffered intensely with the same disease. I beand am thoroughly satisfied that I have been mend it."

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SPOTTSYLVANIA.

The Way in Which the Rebels Were Surprised. To THE EDITOR: With your permission I will say a few words in regard to the occur- nent part in the fray. rences spoken of by Samuel Dunham, of Co. K. 63d Pa., in THE TRIBUNE of Jan. 7, 1886. And of the battle of Spottsylvania, which was in 1864 instead of 1863, as you know we were under Gen. Grant at that time, and he did not take command of the Army of the Potomac until 1864. And I have one other proof before me, that is, all the letters that I wrote home while in the army, sewed together in regular

The day before the battle of Spottsylvania (Court-house) the Second Corps, under the command of Gen. Hancock, was at the right of the line. Word came of heavy fighting at the left, and that the Sixth Corps was having a hard time. I well remember what a deep sleep I was aroused from at midnight of the 11th of May, 1864. We were told that we were to march at the extreme left of the line and great caution must be observed in regard to noise, as a surprise on the enemy was anticipated. The march was very tedious, the ground being very rough and a good deal of underbrush. The night was very dark, but I do not remember a time when men marched so quietly. So much at Tupelo, Miss. He backs up the argument of precaution was used that even the pioneers, who had mules to carry some of their extra tools, had a man march at their heads with a club, so if they attempted to bray, as all the | circumstances made it necessary for him to boys knew they would do in the early morn- do so. ing, to hit them a whack and stop it.

It proved a favorable morning for the surprise, as it was quite foggy. We arrived at the extreme left, opposite the Confederate breastworks. These were the most formidable I ever | killed and wounded at Cold Harbor. saw, having right-angle breastworks running from the main works, so if we took one part of angle ones and give us a rough time in keeping | there and knows.

what we had taken. Just as dawn appeared it was so foggy we could see but a few feet ahead. The question was asked by the charging line at what point "After you pass the belt of pine woods." I cheer could have been given at the right point, we should not have lost as many men as we did, as it gave the enemy a warning of our approach. Even the cheer did not start them as I should have thought it would. I was so curious in regard to it that I asked a Confederate who was in the engagement about it afterward, and he said they had given us such a whipping the day before that they did not expect us back so soon. It proved a great surprise; even the picket firing did not alarm the command. The first breastworks were scaled, and no opposition, but at the second one they showed some opposition, but it was only for a little while, as | about 250 men in all. our men rushed upon them and the struggle was short. Eight thousand prisoners were taken, and Gens. Johnson and Stewart were among them, and brought up the rear. What right of the breastworks I cannot say, but I or its equivalent in money. treat across the large open field in the rear of of his regiment. He would l to the rear, and halted within a few rods of stured it. Gen. Hancock's headquarters. The General eame out and gave an order to one of his staff that were passing to the front then had been on hand at early morning, as I understood they were to have been, the line of Gen. Lee's army

C, 15th Mass., Clinton, Mass. The Battle of Shiloh. TO THE EDITOR: Allow me, through your valuable paper, to correct a few errors in Col. W.W. Jackson's account of the battle of Shiloh. statement is correct in the main, there is some | 25 were discharged in hospital. things in it that is not as I saw them. I corroborate his statement in regard to the review termined to send out a party of infantry in the | place. early morning hours. This duty was intrusted to Col. Peabody, of the 23d Mo., who with three 25th Mo., and that there were four instead of the 25th Mo. and two of the 12th Mich .. - and that they were under command of Maj. Powell instead of Col. Peabody, he (Peabody) being in command of the brigade. The first attack was not of the battle of Shileh, says the 12th Mich. the smoke from the first cannon that was fired that morning by the enemy .- ROBERT A. WAL- | cess of the Union army in that battle.

TON, 12th Mich., Niles, Mich.

A Brave Woman. erence to the steamer North America. She went down off Cape Hatteras. There were 197 on her list; 12 privates, five ladies, and some officers saved. I remember a worthy lady on board that ill-fated ship, by the name of Fowler, from near Syracuse, N. Y. Her brother was a member of the 18th N. Y. Cav., and was sick in New Orleans. She closed her school, went to New Orleans after him, and got him on board this vessel. When Capt. Meachman asked her to get in a boat with the other ladies and leave her brother behind, she said: "No; if my brother must go down, I will go with him!" He was put in the same boat with her and saved .- Charles B. Wilcox, Co. D, Sth N. H., Norwich, Conn.

Youngest Soldier. Matt. F. Kippax, U. S. Arsenal, San Antonio, Tex., was born Aug., 9, 1847, and enlisted in the 17th U.S. Inf. April 7, 1862, at the age of

14 years 8 months. CONDENSED LETTERS.

J.W. Horn, Captain, 12th N. Y. Cav., St. Louis Mo., writes of a hard Winter spent in the swamps of North Carolina. His company was Keesberry, and that the fireman was James | 80 strong in October, 1864, and in June, 1865,

S. Lampman, Co. G, 30th Ind., Baldwin, Kan, tells how the Johnnies tried to destroy the bridge over Green River, at Munfordville, Ky., TO THE EDITOR: Some years ago our men, in | by placing kegs of powder under the abutclearing up the streets in this city, found a ments. Buell's advance, however, prevented Mobile, by stating that the Second Brigade,

orably discharged;" on the edge of the badge | G. C. Both, Co. A, 85th N. Y., Postville, N. is the following: "Francis Compston, Co. A, Y., relates how he saved the steamer Pilot Boy 7th Reg. Cav. Vols." If you know where the from drifting past the wharf at Roanoke Island owner is, or can learn of his whereabouts, I and stranding there. A heavy sea was running would be pleased to forward it to him. -FRED | and the line which was thrown to the shore by the mate fell short. The steamer was rapidly being driven towards the beach beyond the landing place, when Comrade Both, who was ashore, and had the wind in his favor, threw a

line which was seized by those on board, and S. J. Linn, Sergeant, Co. F, 13th Pa. Cav., Mondamin, Iowa, thinks some mention ought to be "than whom a braver man never lived." Geo. Philpet, Co. K, 3d Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa, wishes to say, in regard, to the make-up of the First Brigade at Jackson, Miss., that it was composed of the 3d Iowa, 41st and 33d Ill.,

and the 33d Wis. Nelson M. Newell, Co. H, 5th N. Y. Cav., Moses Kill, N. Y., says: Serg't Toms, of Co. K, Army Mule" are both unique and charming. is a little mistaken, for Mosby pounced on the 5th N. Y. Cav. while the men were on foot ber of men in line at Gainesville 423, loss 220; reading the story with real delight. Keep it feeding their horses and cooking supper, and at Antictam 200, loss 100; Gettysburg 288, loss | up in this vein and sustain the interest to the | before the boys could saddle-up and form Mosby's command had taken a good many of them prisoners. The 1st Va. came up to the rescue, attacked Mosby in his tear, and compelled him to abandon his prisoners and booty and make a hasty retreat towards Warrenton,

Chas. Keen, Co. I, 9th N. J., Woodbury, N. J., contradicts T. E. Dickinson in regard to the troops the latter claimed were the first to enter the rebel redoubt at Roanoke Island. He (Keen) says the 9th N. J. were the first to Isaiah Matteson, Co. G, 123d N. Y., Hannibal,

gard to the 60th N. Y. being the first to enter Atlanta, but claims that bonor for his own regiment. statement of Col. Jackson that Ross's Brigade address, and all will be proved to you.

Mass., says it must have been his regiment just here let me correct his mistake in the date | which supported the battery at Antietam, referred to by Comrade Aldrich. J. W. Van Scoyoc, Co. A, 64th Ohio, Lura, Kan., agrees with M. H. Wilson, Co. E. 3d Ky., that it is impossible to say just what regimental flag was first planted on Missionary Ridge.

arrived too late to take anything but an in-

conspicuous part in the battle of the Hatchie

He (Smith) claims that the brigade (of which

he was a member) was there and took a promi-

A. N. White, Co. I, 11th Conn., East Lee,

Jas. G. Miller, Co. F, 32d Ill., Avena, Ill., has read with much pleasure Col. Jackson's account order, and it takes but a moment to refer to of the battle of Shiloh, but says the Colonel omitted to mention the part taken therein by the 32d Ill., who, in reality, played a important part in that great fight. Sam'l Worrall, Co. E, 4th Del., Pleasant Hill

Del. writes that he was in 14 severe engagements, and never received a scratch. James W. Clark, Co. H, 110th Ohio, Anderson, Ind., wants to know if any of the comrades who belonged to the 122d Ohio or 9th N. Y. H. A., and were captured with him at North

Mountain, Va., in November, 1864, by Mosby's

guerrillas, are living. George Brown, Corporal, Co. D, 47th III., Stratton, Neb., writes an account of Gen. A. J. Smith's expedition after Forrest and the fight Comrade Glanville, 10th Minn., in his recentlypublished article, that Smith was not whipped, but retired in good order simply because other

C. E. Lookabaugh, Co. C. 139th Pa., Pardee. Kan., sends some recollections of Gettysburg. He would be pleased to hear from any members. of his old regiment, and would like a list of its J. H. Connor, Co. D, 2d Ill. L. A., (Dresser's

Battery,) rises to remark that the Union army the works, they could jump over the right- was "surprised" at Shiloh. He says he was Robt. A. Sayers, of Co. I,8th Pa. Reserves,

Waynesburg, Greene Co., Pa., who was wounded and lay on the Gaine's Mill battlefield, Virginia, two weeks in the Summer of 1862, can they could begin to cheer, and the answer was, | give information as to the death of Timothy Russell, a Sergeant of the 5th N.Y. (Duryea Zouthink this was a mistake, and believe if the aves), who was shot through the neck. Also, would like the address of Wm. Tuey, of the 3d Vt., and Geo. H. Parker, who, he thinks, belonged to the 5th Vt. He wore spectacles, and was prisoner with them on Belle Isle, July, '62. John Good, Co. G. 154th N. Y., Machias, N. Y., says he thinks as much of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE as he did of his coffee while he was

in the army. Samuel S. Gage, 176th N. Y., replying to a recent inquiry in regard to the battle of La Fourche Crossing, says that the troops engaged were Cos. D. E and K. of the 176th N. Y., and one company of the 13th or 23d Mass.;

John W. Hall, Grubridge, Henry Co., Ky. thinks that pensioners whose rating has been increased, as in cases of amputation, are entitled to arrears at the rate now paid. He also particular regiments in the charge flauked the thinks each soldier should have a land warrant,

think it was a part of the Third Corps that | G. M. Horine, Co. F. 34th Ind., speaks very had been consolidated with the Second Corps; kindly of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, and but, whoever they were, they cut off all re- | wonders why he does not hear from members the works, and they probably were the ones | Col. R. G. Morrison lives. He also asks if Gen. who captured the two Generals. I know the Sherman did not have a fight at Vicksburg line of prisoners were marched in good order | the Summer or Fall before Gen. Grant cap-

Zeb. M. Knight, Adjutant, 30th N. Y., Alpena, Mich., claims for the 14th Brooklyn, 22d, to halt a regiment that was then passing to the 24th and 30th N. Y. the sole right, title and front, and I must say that I think if the troops | interest in the honored name of the "Iron Brigade." Wm. J. Clark, Co. B, 48th Ohio, Fourth Bri-

gade, Third Division, Thirteenth Corps, Ogden, could have been cut in two, and we could have Ill., knows that Gen. Steele's troops charged turned right and left on his whole line and Fort Blakely at Mobile, as he was "there." captured them all with the aid of those along A. D. Robinson, Co. E, 45th Ky., Warren, W. the front of our line. - JOSEPH E. MINER, Co. Va., has a good word to say for his regiment and its faithful service in the war. A. H. Nichols, Co. E, 114th N. Y., Smithville Flats, Chenango Co., N. Y., files a claim, evidently on good grounds, for his regiment among those which suffered heavily. The 114th N.Y. had in all 1,113 men, of whom 431 were killed published in your paper of Dec. 24. While his | or wounded in action, 174 died of disease, and

J. H. Barber, Pioneer Corps, Second Division, Sixteenth Corps, Pierce City, Mo., says that of Gen. Prentiss's Division on Saturday, the 5th | Col. J. B. Gandolfo, in his article on Mobile, of April, and that there were rebs reviewing us | erred in placing the 178th N. Y. in the First as well as Gen. Prentiss, for I saw them. He Brigade, Second Division, Sixteenth Corps. says that there was a conference between Gens. | That Brigade was composed of the 21st Mo., Hurlbut, Sherman and Prentiss and others. | 89th Ind., 119th and 122d Ill. Comrade Barber This does not agree with Col. Graves's report. | compliments the 178th N. Y. in strong terms, He (Jackson) says at this conference it was de- but thinks Col. Gandolfo has got it out of its A. B. Smith, Co. C. 97th Ohio, Odebolt, Sac

Co., Iowa, claims for Wagner's Brigade the companies moved out on the Corinth road at 4 | honor of being the first to enter Chattanooga, o'clock a. m. Now, the correction I wish | He says Cos. C and I of the 97th were the first to make is this: that Col. Peabody was not | troops to cross the river from Waldron's Ridge, Colonel of the 23d Mo., but was Colonel of the | and that when they entered the town no Union flag was flying anywhere. The claim of Wagthree companies sent out that morning,-two of | ner's Brigade was recognized by Gen. Wagner being placed in command of the post. Solomon Quint, Co. K., 12th Mich., Carroll, Iowa, correcting Col. W. W. Jackson's account

on Sherman's lett, but on Prentiss's right. I | went on the reconnoissance with the 25th Mo ... saw the first battery as it was planted, and saw | under Col. Peabody. He thinks the action of those regiments contributed greatly to the suc-Frank Eiswerth, First Lieutenant, Co. D, 37th Ill., Erie, Pa., says that a portion of Gen, Steele's

command participated in the final assault on TO THE EDITOR: In a recent issue I saw ref- | Fort Blakely at Mobile, and that Col. John C. Black commanded the 37th Ill. in the charge and was the first man of his regiment over the works. John C. Deindorfer, Co. F, 32d Ind., Willich's

Brigade, Bretzville, Dubois Co., Ind., writes a brief account of the charge on Mission Ridge. J. R. Norris, Co. D. 16th Ohio, Newton, Kan., says: "One would infer from reading Comrade Hiff's communication in "Condensed Letters" that he was trying to take exception to my article on Chickasaw Bayou, but by a happy choice of words he only confirms my assertion; however, we will take him as he means, not as he says. If my words made me say Blair's Brigade supported De Courcey's, I was wrong. It should have read Blair's Brigade was ordered to support De Courcey's Brigade, but utterly failed so to do, being unable from some cause to get out from under cover of the bluffs of the ravine. So Comrade Hiff is right, for Blair's Brigade did not support De Courcey's Brigade.' Hiram Ward, Au Sable Forks, N. Y., claims that the 41th N. Y., of which he was a member, was never beaten either in marching, drilling or fighting. He says it joined the Army of the Potomac with 1,061 men, and received 304 recruits. Killed in battle 182, died 101, wounded 603, promoted 141. The promotions show what stuff the boys were

J. Cooper, Co. I, 9th Minn., Sauk Center, Minn., wishes to jog the memory of the author of a recent communication on the capture of 8th Wis., 11th Mo., 5th and 9th Minn., instead

of the 47th Ill. as he stated. Geo. Orme, Co. H, 124th Ill., Wahoo, Neb., who was wounded in the foot at Spanish Fort, indorses Comrade Suggett's account of the capture of that stronghold. Anthony Gatens, Co. E. 53d Pa., Bellefonte, Pa., has in his possession a solid silver sugar

bowl, captured near Appointtox Court-house, Va., from Gen. Lee's headquarters wagon about three days prior to the surrender. G. R. Taylor, Co. E, 6th Ind., Shenandoah, Iowa, writes that C. Beardsly, Co. H, 72d Ill. is mistaken about Gen. Cleburne being killed immediately in front of that regiment. That event took place in front of the 65th Ind. His horse was shot by a soldier in Co. H as he attempted to climb our works, and Capt. Hornbrook, of that company, secured the overcoat

of the dead Confederate General. T. Hale Summers, Co. E, 14th Ill., Franklin, Pa., was very much pleased with Col. W. W. Jackson's account of the old Fighting Fourth Division at the battle of Shiloh, as he had the honor of being a member of that noble old division.

R. Mettler, Co. K. 27th Iowa, Frankfort, Dak., saw many rebel lances at the time of the capture of Little Rock. H. J. Shapley, Co. M, 6th Ohio Cav., Copopa,

O., claims that his company was in the advance at the Bull-pen fight. Allen Sacra, Co. I, 15th Ind., Quincy, Ill., says the 24th Ky. was as good a regiment as any in the service.

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